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Lance A. Monroe et al.

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parent application: K. Truong

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-captioned patent application as follows:

In the Specification

In the Specification at page 1, line 2, please insert the following paragraph:

-- This application is a divisional of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/480,438, filed on

January 10, 2000. --

In the Claims

Please add new claims 47 and 48 as follows:

47. A method for assembling a stent loaded, self-expanding stent delivery catheter

comprising the steps of:

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